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SUBJECT: BRITAIN'S EC COMMISSIONERS LEAVE PARLIAMENT

1. EC PRESIDENT ROY JENKINS AND COMMISSIONER CHRISTOPHER TUGENDHAT OFFICIALLY VACATED THEIR SEATS IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS JANUARY 5, BY ACCEPTING "OFFICES OF PROFIT UNDER THE CROWN" (PARLIAMENTARY LAW PROHIBITS MPS FROM RESIGNING DIRECTLY; TO VACATE A SEAT AN MP MUST APPLY FOR A SPECIAL CROWN APPOINTMENT, THE ACCEPTANCE OF WHICH AUTOMATICALLY VACATES THE SEAT). LABOR MP DAVID MARQUAND,
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WHO WILL SERVE AS JENKIN'S ADVISOR, WILL RETAIN HIS SEAT FOR THE TIME BEING, THUS PREVENTING THE GOVERNMENT FROM FALLING INTO A MINORITY POSITION.

2. WE ANTICIPATE BY-ELECTIONS TO FILL THE TWO VACANCIES WILL BE CALLED SHORTLY. UNDER NORMAL CIRCUMSTANCES, BOTH SEATS WOULD BE CONSIDERED "SAFE" FOR THE INCUMBENT

PARTY, BUT RECENT BY-ELECTIONS SUGGEST THAT LABOR CANNOT BE CERTAIN OF RETAINING JENKINS' SEAT. MARQUAND IS EXPECTED TO VACATE HIS SEAT SOME TIME AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THESE TWO BY-ELECTIONS.

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